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Attn: Tawanda Maignan  
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Dear Ms. Maignan:

Please find enclosed the Section 18 Specific Exemption registration request from the Arkansas State Plant Board (ASPB) for the use of sulfoxaflor (Transform WG Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 62719-625) for control of the sugarcane aphid *Melanaphis sacchari* in sorghum.

The sugarcane aphid was found in Ashley and Chicot counties in early 2014, by November 2014 the aphid was found in sorghum in the Arkansas' northern counties. The sugarcane aphid is an aggressive pest and registered alternatives are not available for late season control. Arkansas sorghum producers have an urgent need for this product. This is the second year the ASPB has requested a specific exemption for this use.

Please contact me at (501)-225-1598 if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brandi Reynolds".

Brandi Reynolds  
Assistant Director  
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Enclosure(s)